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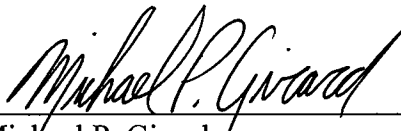
By this Amendment, Applicants elect the claims of Group I (claims 1-13, 18-22, and 40-41) for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a corresponding divisional application. No new matter is introduced.

Based on the foregoing Amendment, the claims are in condition for substantive examination. If any issues remain to be addressed prior to examination, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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